

KING COUNTY ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2002

KCASAAB Members Present: Linda Brown, Joan Clement, Nancy Code, Jim Harbaugh, Joyce Proudlock, Bob Seidensticker, Yasmin Smith

KCASAAB Members Excused: Keith Williams

Staff Attending: Walt Adam, Cindy Bergh, Sherry Hamilton, Jackie MacLean, Geoff Miller, Rhoda Naguit

Guests Present: Gerry Coughlin, Alcohol-Drug Helpline; Harvey Funai, Barb McHenry, State Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse; Allen Hume, Seattle Mental Health; Elaine Ishihara, WAPIFASA; Pat Knox, Recovery Centers of King County; Kim Murillo, Stonewall Recovery Services; Eleanor Owen, Frank Jose, Washington Advocates for the Mentally Ill; Al Sweeten, Seattle Indian Health Board

The regular meeting of the King County Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Administrative Board (KCASAAB) was convened at the Conference Room of the Dutch Shisler Sobering Center, 1930 Boren Avenue in Seattle. Chair Jim Harbaugh called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m., followed by introductions of all members and guests.

I. MINUTES

Bob Seidensticker made a motion and seconded by Nancy Code to approve the meeting minutes of December 11, 2001 as submitted. The motion was passed and the minutes of December 11, 2001 were approved unanimously.

II. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A. Board Membership Update

Rhoda reported that Scott Strawn's appointment for membership with the King County Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Administrative Board (KCASAAB) has been forwarded to the King County Council for confirmation. Pam Detrick's application for board membership has been sent to King County Executive for action.

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Chairman Harbaugh plans to stay on the board but would like to be relieved from his chairmanship. A Nomination Committee will be formed to nominate a new board chair.

B. Selection of Co-Chair for the Legislative Committee

Chairman Harbaugh asked for volunteer to serve as co-chair for the Legislative Committee. Pam Detrick volunteered and was approved by the board.

C. Board Liaison

Chairman Harbaugh reported that he attended the Mental Health Board meeting last month. The agenda included a report on the joint legislative forum, a report from the Division Manager on State budget, and a discussion on their role as board liaison.

Chairman Harbaugh also mentioned about his meeting with Jackie MacLean, newly appointed permanent Manager of Mental Health, Chemical Abuse and Dependency Services Division.

Joan reported there was no Systems Integration Advisory Council (SIAC) meeting for January 2002.

Nancy stated that the Children and Family Council held a Christmas Party in lieu of the regular meeting last month.

III. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Mental Health Budget

Most funding cuts on mental health will take effect in January 2002. This includes a reduction in outpatient services and UBH staff. There is a 10% cut on mental health administrative staff.

The greatest impact of the funding cut is on non-medicaid eligible, which is cut in half. This includes people who are discharged from hospital and jail, incarcerated immigrants (priority population). Most case managers in service agencies have been laid off. State hospital is downsizing.

As a result of budget shortfall, the Division will need to make sensible decisions and serve the sickest of the sick.

B. CHAT Update

King County Council has decided to keep Cedar Hills in operation until the end of 2002. They are looking at the possibility of operating Cedar Hills as a criminal justice alternative. Jodi Riley-Kauer, Amnon Shoenfeld and Patrick Vanzo Vanzo have been suggested as members of the work group designed to provide a response to the AJOMP provisos in the Council-approved 2002 King County Budget.

C. Structure of MHCADSD

Jackie is in the process of forming a management team, which she hopes to complete before she goes on vacation in New Zealand in March.

D. Legislative Update

Sherry Hamilton stated that the goal of the legislative efforts this year is the fight to preserve and protect funding for mental health and chemical dependency. The Executive's office is working to create a close collaboration between public health, public safety and the department of community and human services during this session.

King County's number one legislative priority is the need for a stable funding source for counties. A countywide public utility tax is being considered to increase county revenue, directed to support public health, human services, and criminal justice.

The Prevalence study for mental health was cut in the Governor's proposed budget. The mental health providers will meet with Rep. Helen Summers to brief her and to solicit her support.

Human Services Day will be held on February 18, 2002. This is a Monday, a holiday, though the Legislature will be in session.

The new legislative committee will meet January to discuss strategies for the legislative session, which begins on January 14, 2002.

E. New County Council Leadership

The King County Council unanimously elected Councilwoman Cynthia Sullivan as Chair of the Council for 2002. Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer will serve as vice chair. This is the first time in County history that members of different political parties have been elected chair and vice-chair. Other key committees

with its respective chairs, vice chairs and committee members include the following:

- **Budget and Fiscal Management:** Chair Larry Phillips, Vice Chair Jane Hague
Members: Constantine, Gossett, McKenna, Sullivan, von Reichbauer
- **Law, Justice and Human Services:** Chair Larry Gossett, Vice Chair Kathy Lambert
Members: Constantine, Edmonds, Pullen, McKenna, Pelz
- **Legislative Steering:** Chair Dwight Pelz, Vice Chair Kathy Lambert
Members: All councilmembers
- **Labor, Technology, Government Operations:** Chair Dow Constantine, Vice Chair Pullen
Members: Gossett, Hague, Sullivan

F. CD Update

Handouts: Drug Awareness, Outpatient Placements and AAAP Update

Due to time constraint, Geoff just handed out articles on Drug Awareness and Outpatient Placements. He said that the geographic issue in placement depends on where the client finds housing.

III. PRESENTATION

Kim Murillo, Executive Director of Stonewall Recovery Services (SRS), spoke about services provided for special target population, particularly the youth. The program is funded by grant money awarded to the Special Population Alliance. The Alliance was organized during Norma Jaeger's incumbency with the Division. The group submitted a SAMHSA grant application for Special Target Population and was awarded the grant funding. The member agencies include Stonewall Recovery Services, WAPIFASA, Consejo Counseling and Referral Services, United Indian of All Tribes Foundation, and Central Youth and Family Services. The group meets once a month to discuss directions and future plans; holds retreat; and sponsors quarterly social activities for youth to encourage them to get into treatment.

Elaine Ishihara added that the formation of the Alliance has crossed barriers – geographic, racial, cultural, and sexual orientation. The Alliance has just applied for another grant on tobacco cessation program. Winnie Ng of the Division serves as its coordinator.

Kim said that the three-year Special Target Population grant would end soon. She asked for continued support from the board.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Eleanor Owen extended her invitation to attend a public educational forum sponsored by WAMI on Tuesday, January 15, 2002 at 7:30pm in St. John Lutheran Church, 5515 Phinney Avenue North, Seattle. The topic is "*Change Anger to Empathy: Creating a Therapeutic Family Environment for People with Borderline Personality Disorder.*" Featured speakers will be Valerie Porr, MA and Edie Mannion, MFT, of Treatment and Research Advancements Association for Personality Disorder (TARA). The speakers will address the issue of Personality Disorder, which they believe is under-diagnosed.


Everyone is invited to join NAMI's WAMI in bidding a fond Au Revoir to Eleanor Owen, WAMI founder and retiring Executive Director during her 81st birthday on Tuesday, January 22, 2002 at 5:30 pm in Lake Union Cafe, 3119 Eastlake Avenue East, Seattle. Also to be honored at the event is Susan Cleva, past WAMI board member and long time volunteer Coordinator and Information and Referral Specialist, who retired early this year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.

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Recording Secretary


Jim Harbaugh
Board Chairman

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